

JESUS SUBSTITUTED...FOR ME

My Substitute (Part 4)

⁴¹ Then the whole company of them arose and brought him before Pilate. ² And they began to accuse him, saying, 'We found this man misleading our nation and forbidding us to give tribute to Caesar, and saying that he himself is Christ, a king.'
³ And Pilate asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' And he answered him, 'You have said so.'
⁴ Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, 'I find no guilt in this man.'
⁵ But they were urgent, saying, 'He stirs up the people, teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee even to this place.'
⁶ When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean.
⁷ And when he learned that he belonged to Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him over to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time.
⁸ When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had long desired to see him, because he had heard about him, and he was hoping to see some sign done by him.
⁹ So he questioned him at some length, but he made no answer.
¹⁰ The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him.
¹¹ And Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him. Then, arraying him in splendid clothing, he sent him back to Pilate.
¹² And Herod and Pilate became friends with each other that very day, for before this they had been at enmity with each other.
¹³ Pilate then called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people,
¹⁴ and said to them, 'You brought me this man as one who was misleading the people. And after examining him before you, behold, I did not find this man guilty of any of your charges against him.'
¹⁵ Neither did Herod, for he sent him back to us. Look, nothing deserving death has been done by him.
¹⁶ I will therefore punish and release him.'
¹⁷⁻¹⁸ But they all cried out together, 'Away with this man, and release to us Barabbas'—
¹⁹ a man who had been thrown into prison for an insurrection started in the city and for murder.
²⁰ Pilate addressed them once more, desiring to release Jesus,
²¹ but they kept shouting, 'Crucify, crucify him!'
²² A third time he said to them, 'Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no guilt deserving death. I will therefore punish and release him.'
²³ But they were urgent, demanding with loud cries that he should be crucified. And their voices prevailed.
²⁴ So Pilate decided that their demand should be granted.
²⁵ He released the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, for whom they asked, but he delivered Jesus over to their will." Luke 23:1-25 (ESV)

I. HEROD: JESUS WAS A DISRUPTION TO HEROD'S CONSCIENCE.

⁴⁹ But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother's wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done,
²⁰ added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison."
 Luke 3:19-20 (ESV)

⁴¹ At that time Herod the tetrarch heard about the fame of Jesus,
² and he said to his servants, 'This is John the Baptist. He has been raised from the dead; that is why these miraculous powers are at work in him.'
 Matthew 14:1-2 (ESV)

⁴¹ And Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him. Then, arraying him in splendid clothing, he sent him back to Pilate."
 Luke 23:11 (ESV)

II. PILATE: JESUS WAS A THREAT TO PILATE'S SECURITY.

Security is a Dangerous Thing to You When:

- A. You hesitate to take a position because of the politics and the price you will pay.
- B. You're reluctant to speak the truth for fear of repercussions.
- C. You look at your possessions and your position as proof you have nothing ahead to be concerned about.

III. CHIEF PRIESTS AND MOB: JESUS WAS AN INSULT TO THEIR SELF-RIGHTEOUSNESS.

¹⁰ The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him.
Luke 23:10 (ESV)

IV. BARABBAS: JESUS WAS HIS SUBSTITUTE IN DEATH.

The Gospel for Me:

Accept the fact that I'm a sinner.

Believe Jesus Christ died to pay the penalty for my sin.

Confess Jesus as my Savior.